



Clean up housing

Residents need to keep an eye out for excessive trash in Navy housing. See story on page A-7.



Rebuild Hawai'i

Sailors, civilians come together to help Oahu family. See story on page B-1.



Pearl Harbor Sailor faces murder charges

Boatswain's Mate 2nd Class Kendall Edmonds, a 22-year-old Pearl Harbor Sailor assigned to the Transient Personnel Unit, was arrested Monday for allegedly beating his neighbor to death, according to Honolulu Police Department officials. The incident took place inside a Pearl City condominium complex after the neighbor complained Edmonds was making too much noise. Edmonds was arraigned Wednesday on a second-degree murder charge and is being held in a state correctional facility pending trial.

New deputy nominated for U.S. Pacific Command

Vice Adm. Gary Roughead has been nominated for reappointment to the rank of vice admiral and assignment as deputy commander, U.S. Pacific Command, Honolulu, Hawaii. Roughead is currently serving as commander, Striking Fleet Atlantic and commander, U.S. 2nd Fleet, Norfolk, Va.

Four S-3B Viking naval aviators missing

Four naval aviators flying an S-3B Viking operating from the aircraft carrier USS John C. Stennis (CVN 74) were listed as missing after failing to return to the carrier Aug. 10. Stennis was operating near the Iwo Jima island chain when communications were lost. Search-and-rescue and support efforts are currently under way by both Stennis and Kitty Hawk carrier strike groups. An investigation into the cause of the incident is underway.

Correction to brief

An article in last week's Hawaii Navy News incorrectly stated that a contractor for Tripler Army Medical Center who was removed from his job was a social worker. He is in fact an occupational therapy technician.

Vitale arrives to take command

Navy Region Hawai'i Public Affairs

The prospective commander of Navy Region Hawaii and Naval Surface Group Middle Pacific is scheduled to arrive on Oahu today. Capt. Michael Vitale, who was nominated in March for appointment to the rank of rear admiral (lower half), will assume command on Monday.

As Commander, Navy Region Hawaii, Vitale will manage the Navy's shore installations and infrastructure in Hawai'i, serving as regional coordinator for more than 60 Navy commands, including 11 surface ships, 17 submarines and four aircraft squadrons.

About 15,000 active duty Navy personnel are stationed in Hawai'i, in

addition to 20,000 Navy family members and 10,000 civilian employees.

In his other role as Commander, Naval Surface Group Middle Pacific, Vitale will be responsible for the training, maintenance and readiness of the 11 surface ships homeported at Pearl Harbor, ensuring they are prepared to surge in accordance with the Fleet Response Plan.

Vitale's first Navy assignment was aboard the Pearl Harbor-based USS Reeves from 1978 to 1980.

He has also had assignments on the Joint Staff, command of the Pearl Harbor-based USS John S. McCain, command of Destroyer Squadron 24, and chief of staff for Carrier Group Four.

Vitale served most recently as the director, Navy Senate Liaison, Office of Legislative Affairs in

Washington, D.C.

He is a graduate of the University of Louisville and holds master's degrees from the Naval Postgraduate School and the National War College.

"Pearl Harbor is where I began my Navy career and it's great for my family and me to return to a place we love so much," said Vitale. "Hawaii has tremendous strategic importance to our nation and I am honored to be responsible for ensuring the Navy's operational forces based here have the support they need to fight and win."

Rear Adm. Barry McCullough commanded Navy Region Hawai'i until June, when he left to take command of the USS Enterprise aircraft carrier strike group. Capt. Ronald R. Cox has served as commander in the interim.



U.S. Navy photo

Capt. Michael C. Vitale

Navy Federal Credit Union open for business



U.S. Navy photo by JO1 Daniel J. Calderon

Two Marines conduct their business on the opening day at the new Navy Federal Credit Union Monday. The branch is open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturdays from 9 a.m. to noon. The new branch also boasts a full-service ATM outside the building which is accessible 24 hours a day. The credit union is located across the street from the Mall at Pearl Harbor.



Photo by JO2 Devin Wright

Chief Boatswain Mate (ret) Harold Estes presents the Chief Boatswain Mate (ret) Harold Estes award to STGCS (SW) Lou Wills of USS Crommelin at a SNA luncheon.

SNA holds awards luncheon at Banyans

JO2 Devin Wright Staff Writer

The Surface Navy Association held a membership and awards ceremony luncheon yesterday at The Banyans club..

The Surface Navy Association was established in 1985 in order to support and promote greater coordination and communication among those who share a common interest in the naval surface warfare community.

"The object is for anyone from the seaman recruit to admirals, retirees and civilians to come together in a social setting and talk," said Lt. Christopher Adams, executive assistant, Naval Surface Group Middle Pacific. "It gives us all a chance to network and recognize professional excellence in the surface warfare community."

Senator Daniel Inouye keynote speaker for the event said, "With the growing threat of terrorism, now more than ever we need the Navy to demonstrate our power around the globe."

The two surface warfare Sailors recognized for their excellence in surface warfare leadership were Lt. Cmdr. Scott Robertson, combat systems officer USS Port Royal (CG 73), and Sonar Technician-Surface Senior Chief (SW) Lou Wills combat system departmental leading chief petty officer, USS

USS Chung Hoon sets sail

JOC Linda Brinkley

USS Chung-Hoon Public Affairs

The Navy's newest destroyer, USS Chung-Hoon (DDG 93), is currently underway on its maiden voyage. A ship's maiden voyage is the first opportunity for the crew to work as a team and learn about their many duties and responsibilities at sea, plus the capabilities and limitations of the ship.

"We've a unique opportunity to test and operate the ship and equipment for the first time in the environment and conditions for which the ship was built," Cmdr. Ken L. Williams, Chung Hoon's commanding officer. "The ship is operating within specifications, is very reliable and dependable. With a few exceptions, everything we've tested has operated much better than I anticipated during her maiden voyage."

After leaving Northrop Grumman Shipyard in Pascagoula, Miss. July 10, Chung Hoon is headed for home to Pearl Harbor. After her arrival in Hawai'i, she will begin final preparations for her commissioning ceremony which is scheduled for Sept. 18. But, before reaching home, the ship will make several port calls along the way.

Port visits have included Cozumel, Mexico, the Panama Canal and Puerto Vallarta, Mexico. She will make a stop at San Diego for a three-week stay



U.S. Navy photo by CT12 Stephanie Brockman

The USS Chung Hoon (DDG 93) leaves Northrop Grumman Shipyard, beginning her maiden voyage, which will end at her homeport of Pearl Harbor.

where a large number of her crewmembers will attend training classes.

The Chung Hoon is the Navy's latest Arleigh Burke-class, Aegis guided missile destroyer and the first ship in the Navy named after Navy Rear Adm.

Gordon P. Chung-Hoon.

Chung-Hoon served in the Navy from 1934 to 1959. As a young lieutenant at the beginning of World War II, he was attached to the USS Arizona when it was attacked and sunk at Pearl Harbor. In 1944, then Cmdr. Chung-Hoon assumed command of the USS Sigsbee. In the spring of 1945, under his command, the Sigsbee assisted in the destruction of 20 enemy planes while screening a carrier strike force off the Japanese Island of Kyushu.

While on radar picket station off Okinawa, a kamikaze crashed into the Sigsbee, reducing her starboard engine to five knots and knocking out the ship's port engine and steering control. Chung-Hoon kept his anti-aircraft batteries delivering prolonged and effective fire while directing the damage control efforts that allowed Sigsbee to make port under her own power. He received the Navy Cross and Silver Star for "conspicuous gallantry and extraordinary heroism" as commanding officer of the Sigsbee.

USS Chung Hoon is 511 feet long, powered by four General Electric gas turbine engines and is capable of cruising at 32 knots. She has two SH-60 (LAMPS 3) helicopters with full flight crew onboard. Equipped with one

New food options for galley patrons

Lacy Lynn
Staff Writer

Patrons at Naval Station Pearl Harbor's Silver Dolphin Bistro can experience a variety of fresh menu choices courtesy of pre-prepared meals from Naval Supply Systems Command's (NAVSUP) new One Navy Standardized Nomenclature (1 NSN) Meal Program.

The three-month prototype program was implemented Aug. 2, and is intended to increase galley efficiency by utilizing packaged and pre-prepared menu items.

The Silver Dolphin Bistro was selected by Commander, Naval Installations to be one of only a few shore galleys to participate in the pilot initiative.

Some of the new food offerings are various omelets for breakfast, and grilled Alaskan salmon, sage-grilled filet mignon, and orange rosemary pork chops for lunches and dinners. "There are 21 different meals and Silver Dolphin Bistro will be trying all of them," said Senior Chief Culinary Specialist Abraham White, Region assistant food service officer.

However, these new menu items are not meant to completely replace meals made from scratch.

Alternatives here at Pearl Harbor will be offerings at the speed line at Silver Dolphin Bistro, and standard meals served at the Diosdado Rome Galley.

According to a NAVSUP pamphlet, galley operations are not expected to fully switch to this food preparation method, but use it in tandem with existing food service practices "to assist in the daily operations of

a general mess."

Meal kits are designed to serve 48 - 60 people, and contain fully cooked food ready for heating and serving. According to NAVSUP, benefits of the meal kit are:

- Allows one individual the ability to serve large numbers of people with high quality, well-rounded meals.
- Saves labor, reduces preparation and cleanup time.
- Conforms to the highest food safety guidelines.

NAVSUP's 1 NSN meal kits will also allow galley workers to order and receive packages of full meals, each including a protein, starch, vegetable and any accompanying sauces.

"This prototype is a CNO initiative to reduce food preparation time in the galley and increase quality of life of the culinary specialists, and has a direct impact to the Sailors we feed everyday," said CWO3 Jack B. Fernando, Region food service officer.

With the prototype program in place for a little over a week, White said he would rate its success as eight out of 10 so far.

The Silver Dolphin Bistro serves approximately 650 people per day and according to White, customers have had minimal complaints.

White said that most of the complaints are about the pre-prepared omelets for breakfast, not because of taste or quality, but mainly because patrons want to be able to choose their own ingredients as they have in the past.

Diners can provide feedback about the new program by filling out a food service suggestion form or by filling out the 1 NSN survey form at the Silver Dolphin Bistro.



Photo by Lacy Lynn

Sailors and civilians wait in line at the Silver Dolphin Bistro for lunch Tuesday. The Silver Dolphin Bistro is one of only three shore galleys in the Navy to implement the new 1NSN meal kits as an alternative to the current galley menu.

Bowfin museum displays USS Kamehameha artifacts



U.S. Navy photo by JO1 Daniel J. Calderón

Senator Daniel Inouye and Rear Adm. Paul F. Sullivan, commander Submarine Force, U.S. Pacific Fleet, talk about the bust of King Kamehameha at yesterday's ceremony at the USS Bowfin Submarine Museum and Park. The bust was one of five items presented by the museum which were aboard ex-USS Kamehameha, a submarine named for the former Hawaiian king.

JO1 Daniel J. Calderón
Editor

Yesterday, Sen. Daniel Inouye spoke at the presentation of five artifacts from the ballistic missile submarine ex-USS Kamehameha to the USS Bowfin Submarine Museum and Park.

"With this ceremony, we will commemorate the men of the Kamehameha forever," Inouye said to the assembled audience. In attendance were service members past and present, including men who had served aboard the submarine.

"I want to thank you all for all you have done and all you continue to do," he said.

Four of the items are made of koa wood – a bowl, a plate, a replica of king Kamehameha's spear and a bust of king Kamehameha – and a table made of monkeypod. Mayor Neil Blaisdell presented the koa bowl to the submarine's crew on Jan. 16, 1965 – the day the boat was christened and launched.

The officers and crew of the USS Kamehameha division of the Sea Cadet Corps presented the bust to the boat's crew the same day. The Bishop Museum and Dillingham Corporation presented the spear, and governor John A. Burns presented the koa plate to the Kamehameha crew June 11, 1966.

The monkeypod table is unique among the artifacts for two reasons. The first is the difference in composition. The second is that a member of the submarine's first crew made it. Roger F. Bacon, now a retired vice admiral, was a Lt. when he was part of Kamehameha's gold crew.

"I personally made the monkeypod coffee table," Bacon wrote in a January e-mail. "It was made at the SUBASE wood hobby shop under the careful direction of Herb, the wonderful person and amazing woodworker who ran the hobby shop for many years. It was specially supported and made fireproof when we installed it in the Kamehameha wardroom at Mare Island during construction."

Nancy Richards, museum curator, said the artifacts from Kamehameha are an important addition to the museum's collection



U.S. Navy photo by JO1 Daniel J. Calderón

The USS Bowfin Submarine Museum and Park presented five artifacts from ex-USS Kamehameha at a ceremony yesterday. The items were presented to the submarine early in its service life and will now reside at the museum.

of submarine memorabilia.

"The items are significant because they are a connection between the people of Hawai'i and the submarine," she said. "It's not like the [USS] Honolulu. This submarine was named for a great warrior."

Ex-USS Kamehameha was named for the Hawaiian king Kamehameha. Inouye lobbied President Kennedy in 1962 to name the submarine for the monarch. It was one of the "41 for Freedom" Polaris missile ballistic submarines. The vessels were named for American patriots.

Inouye recalled the conversation he had with President Kennedy regarding the naming of the submarine.

"We sat down and had a nice chat in his office," Inouye began. "I said, 'Well, Mister President, we're building a new submarine in this new class of subs,' and I had the audacity to suggest we name it Kamehameha."

"He said, 'Who,'" Inouye laughed. "I explained to him why I thought it should be named after the king. Although he was a great warrior by land, Kamehameha was also a great strategist at naval warfare."

"I think it's interesting that we'd only been a state for three years and we'd have a submarine named for a Hawaiian king," Richards said. "It speaks highly of King

Kamehameha's role as a peace-keeper. He used his warrior skills to unite the islands and the people of Hawai'i to bring about a lasting peace. This was also the role of the submarine. The peacetime role of the sub was as a deterrent against aggression."

During her lifetime, the submarine went on 65 deterrent patrols during her initial service life. In 1992, Kamehameha was converted to a special operations submarine and served an additional 10 years until she was decommissioned and stricken from the Navy record in 2002.

All five items came from the Navy Historical Center in Washington D.C., which has jurisdiction over Navy property. The new artifacts will reside in the Bowfin museum as part of a new Kamehameha display. The museum houses artifacts from the submarine service and is open to the public.

"It's great that they're here," said Donald Cataluna, a trustee with the Office of Hawaiian Affairs. He said John Kalealoha was instrumental in getting the artifacts to their new residence and is ecstatic that they will be available for public viewing.

"Kamehameha is back," he enthused. "After being in all the oceans of the world, the king is back in Hawai'i."

Golf tournament coming up

Navy League Golf Tournament. The Honolulu Council of the Navy League will hold its annual golf tournament Aug. 27 at the Leilehua Golf Course in Wahiawa. The tournament will be a four-person scramble, with prizes that include TVs, DVD players, gift certificates and more. The price includes green fees, cart, prizes, lunch, on-course refreshments and a dinner buffet. Proceeds help the Navy League raise funds for its sea service support programs. The price is \$150 for civilians and \$75 for active duty military members. For more information, call 422-9404.

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Navy News Editorial

Commentary

Service to Sailors

USO Hawai'i extends aloha to deploying troops

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USO Hawai'i

To witness a troop deployment stirs up many emotions – excitement, anxiety and nostalgia.

It is an atmosphere of contrasts, where teary-eyed troops place last minute calls to loved ones or mill around in groups in the waiting area or around the USO Hawai'i refreshment area, waiting for their preboarding briefing, packs and artillery at their sides.

With more than 10,500 Hawai'i-based military personnel already deployed to Iraq and Afghanistan, Hawai'i businesses and organizations have joined ranks to show their appreciation and continued support.

USO Hawai'i has coordinated the effort to provide food, drinks and assorted goodwill gifts to personnel as they wait to board their flights to distant combat zones.

The lineup of supportive local companies and organizations is as follows: Coca Cola Bottling Company of Hawai'i supported the deployments with soft drinks; Menehune Water Company supported the deployments with water; Pizza Hut and Taco Bell donated 100 pizzas to feed approximately 4,000 Soldiers; Frito-Lay of Hawai'i donated 2,000 packages of Frito-Lay products; Renaissance Ilikai Waikiki Hotel donated 400 servings of brownies; Robin Hood (Hickam AFB) quickly donated sub sandwiches as a last minute request; Girl Scouts of America donated 100 cases of Girl Scout cookies; Subway Hawai'i (Nimitz) donated 174 hoagie sandwiches; Domino's Pizza (Nimitz) provided pizza at reduced prices; California Pizza Kitchen, Papa John's and Anthony's Pizza donated pizzas and Mr. Pizza supported deployments with both donated and reduced-price pizzas.

Rich Luster, head of Three Brothers Mr. Pizza, was always present to offer friendly banter and lots of smiles (and good pizza!) to those deploying. His presence at deployments turned a very somber atmosphere into a very friendly experience for deploying troops.

USO Hawai'i volunteer George Villa spent a moment reminiscing with a deploying Soldier who he had found out was from his hometown of Lebanon, Pa.

Local entertainer, Carole Kai, was an

active supporter of the troop deployments and USO Hawai'i with donations of her time, energy and funding. Other companies supporting the troop deployment include CFC, Aloha United Way, Geico Direct, the Cookie Corner and Hawaiian Host Chocolates.

It takes all these people to say a proper farewell to the troops. Their contributions are greatly appreciated.

USO Hawai'i provided over 4,000 USO care packages to the deploying troops. These "goodie bags" include items such as a disposable camera, toothbrush, toothpaste, field towels, cards, coffee, lip balm, mints, a paperback book, and other items donated by businesses and corporations.

The care packages await troops on the transport bus taking them to Hickam AMC.

Deploying troops' spouses are tremendous supporters of the USO at deployments. With their presence, the USO is being introduced to a whole new generation of troops who may not have had any previous knowledge of what the USO has done for servicemen and women during peacetime, R & R and during conflicts of the past.

In appreciation for their tremendous support, USO Hawai'i sponsored a table for spouses of deployed troops who attended the Army Ball.

With additional deployments in the upcoming months, USO Hawai'i needs to continue to raise money and in-kind donations to support troop deployments.

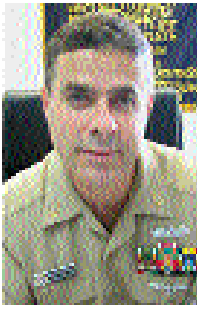
Volunteers are always needed. USO Hawai'i volunteers are now easily identified at troop deployments and other events by their buttons displaying the USO.

"We are a nation at war, with our military fighting in two campaigns, in Afghanistan and Iraq, and involved to varying degrees elsewhere – all as a part of the global war on terrorism," said retired Army Gen. David A. Bramlett, president, USO Hawai'i Board of Directors. "The USO is doing its part for those in uniform and their families as it has done in peace and war since its inception in 1941. USO Hawai'i is continuing that tradition on behalf of our community in support of those who serve and their families."

To donate in-kind items, make a monetary contribution or to volunteer, call Connie Kraus, USO Hawaii's executive director, at 836-3351.

Commentary
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Naval Station Pearl Harbor Command Master Chief



It's truly an honor to become the next Naval Station, Pearl Harbor Command Master Chief.

As I walk and drive around the base, I have memories of coming through Pearl Harbor so many times before on all my previous deployments/RIMPAC exercises and I'm glad I am finally able to call this place my duty station. What a great place to live and work!

The base recreational, CBH and other QOL facilities are second to none. Plus, our Navy Exchange and commissary are unbelievable.... You know as a new father for the first time in my life, I am also impressed with the finest selection of child care you could hope for - WOW!

Nowhere in the Navy can compare with the resources offered to families here in Hawaii. Looks like Navy Region Hawaii is taking care of their own and I consider myself very lucky to

be a Naval Station Sailor supporting our great fleet.

My personal philosophy for any tour and for this one as well, "You should leave the command better off than how you found it and leave yourself better off than when you arrived." In some small ways, you can always accomplish both at each and every stop you make along the way during your Navy career. It's served me well as former fire controlman and for the past eight years as a command master chief. I hope it might serve you as well in all your endeavors.

My expressed hope for my last tour here in the Navy is to continue taking care of the deck plate Sailors, the fleet and the families that are the very foundation of any Sailor in our great Navy. Without family support, we wouldn't be where we are today.

I'm excited about the changes we are making in our Navy. We are truly at the cusp of another great revolution in the enlisted ranks and one that will transform and lift us as we move further into the 21st century.

These changes will afford many educational opportunities for us and all future Navy jobs will closely match the skills of each and every Sailor for their next jobs during their detailing

process.

That's part of the Revolution In Training and Navy Knowledge Online as some of the key under pinnings of the CNO's Sea Warrior plan. It's still a great time to be in the Navy. Even for me after 27 years of service it's still an adventure...

One heartfelt thought I will share with everyone here in this article. We the Sailors at naval station and the fleet family beyond, need to look out for each other (each and every one of us).

We need to be that positive role model/mentor/friend for our young shipmates and families in need. Some might be more than a little overwhelmed by their transition to the fleet, to this remote Naval Station or they may have a loved one deployed and engaged in the war in Iraq or Afghanistan. Let's take care of our own.

Lastly, I challenge all of us to be that mature adult that if we see conduct around us that is contrary to our core value, we need on the spot correction. Let's not wait until a Sailor is too far gone to reach out and extend our help and guidance. Let's be shipmates to everyone here on Oahu!!

See you around the base and keep smiling.

No need to 'rock the vote,' get informed to vote

Commentary
JO1 Daniel J. Calderón

Editor



There's no doubt that being able to vote freely is one of our greatest liberties.

The freedom to express our opinions without fear of repression or reprisal is what makes our nation one of the best in the world. Without it, we'd still have major discrimination of race, creed, color and gender. Women would not be allowed to speak freely. There would still be widespread segregation and we'd probably be a backwards nation struggling

to find our own identity.

That being said, I feel it is important to exercise our rights. They were won many years ago by men and women who believe in the ideals our nation was founded upon.

America is not a place built simply on laws and regulations to be blindly enforced by an unthinking populace. America is a place of ideas. This is a land where everyone is free to be the kind of person they have always wanted to be, a place where we can be free to be as informed as we want about the people who have the responsibility of leading us.

With the freedom comes the responsibility of self-education. We, as a people, need

to find out what our candidates are about, what they have done during their lives in office.

Otherwise, when we cast our ballots on election day, we are not using our right, we are abusing it. An uninformed vote is a wasted one.

Get out there on the Internet. Read the newspaper. Read some magazines. Find out what the candidates stand for and what they plan to do if they are elected.

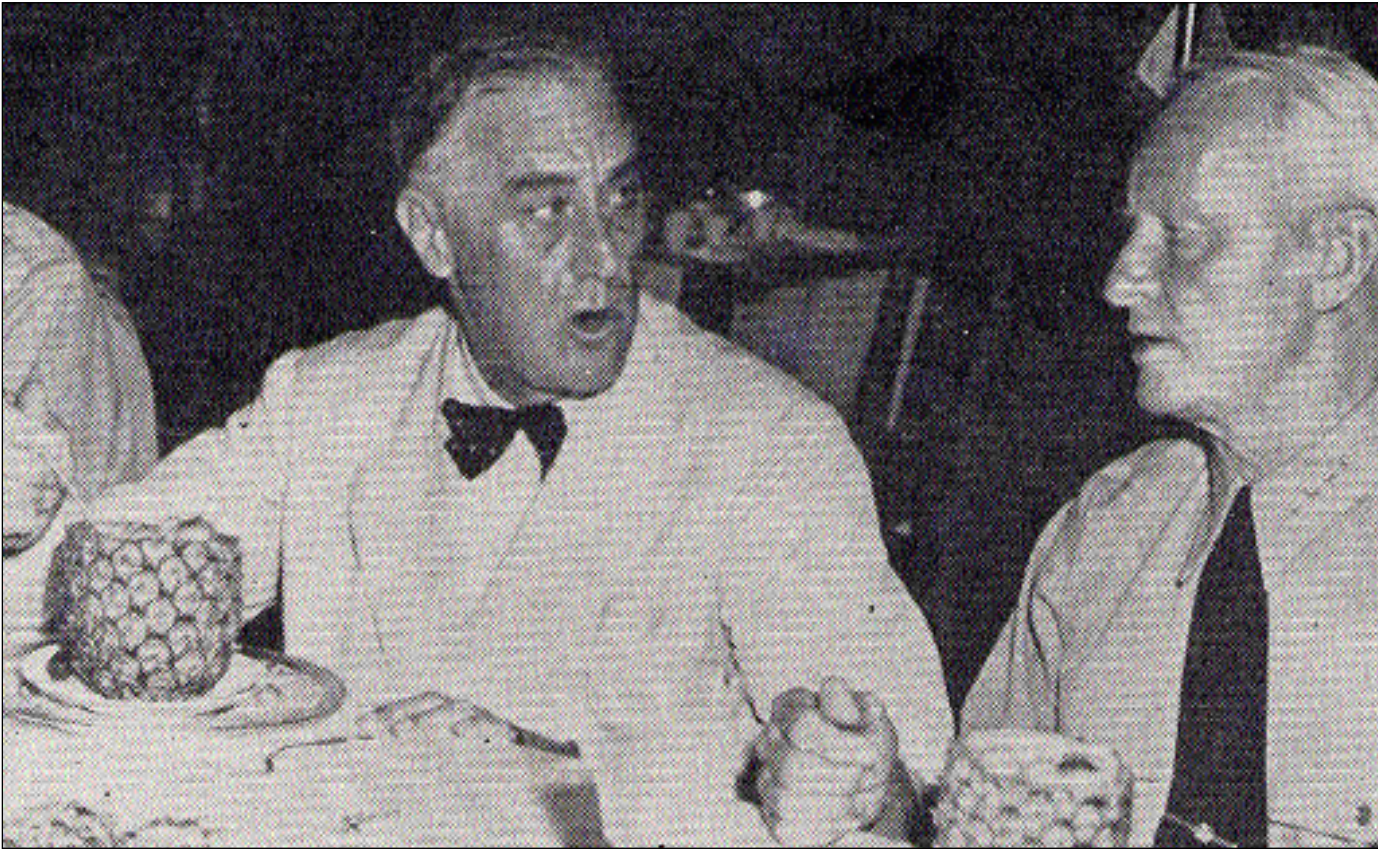
For those of you who are, like me, far from home, take the time to go to the voting assistance officer (VAO) on base and get a form so you can cast your absentee ballot. According to Charles Abell, Principal Deputy

Undersecretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness, there are about six million potential voters stationed at military facilities worldwide. It's almost like we're our own small state.

In case you don't know, the VAO for Naval Station is Lt. Boyd Ellis. His number is 473-2479. For the Region, it is Lt. Cmdr. Colleen Harris. Her number is 473-3951. Give one of them a call and I'm sure they can answer any questions you have about absentee voting.

I'm not saying you absolutely have to vote. I'm saying if you choose to exercise your right to do so, do it with some knowledge of the issues and the people you are voting about.

Power players enjoy dinner in Hawai'i



U.S. Navy photo

President Franklin D. Roosevelt speaks with Adm. Chester Nimitz during dinner while both were on Oahu in 1944.

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BM2(SW) Nathan Kvinsland of Pearl Harbor Navy Shipyard navigates through the Navy One Stop computer system to make an appointment for a new CAC. The Navy One Stop is a new way for PSD customers to make appointments at the detachment, view their LES, or view their pay records without the assistance of PSD clerks.

PSD computer system saves time

JO2 Devin Wright
Staff Writer

Personnel Support Detachment (PSD) now has a Navy One Stop computer system to help answer customers' questions and make appointments for those who may not have Internet access. The One Stop computer system enables customers to make appointments for a common access card, view their leave and earning statement and help track their pay records at the Defense Financial Accounting Service and My Pay Websites. The system was implemented to help streamline customer's visits to PSD. "We installed the One Stop system because we wanted a way for our customers to have easy access to services PSD provides without having them wait for an available representative," said Kelly Lapena, information technology Manager at PSD. "This way, if they don't have

access to the Internet, the customer can come in and have their questions answered in just a few minutes by navigating through the touch screen system. "Also, we have customers come in for an identification card and aren't aware that we operate by appointment, so they end up spending anywhere from 30 minutes to hours waiting for a new identification card," she continued. "Now they can just go over to One Stop, see when the next available appointment is and save themselves a lot of time." Due to the Navy focusing on personnel performance, PSD was forced to produce results for customer satisfaction. "We've lost over 45 people in the last couple of years so we don't have the luxury of a lot of one-on-one time with the customer in a timely fashion that we're all use to," said Lapena. "Even though the human interfaced is impor-

tant, we needed to come up with a way to restructure our way of doing business. Our results have been pretty positive so far, especially when it comes to making appointments. It gives our clerks an opportunity to get through their piles of work, while saving our customers time," Lapena said. For the clerks at PSD, the One Stop computer system has taken on some of their workload. "It's made my job a lot easier," said Personnelman 2nd Class (SW) Thomas Roham of PSD Pearl Harbor. "Now I know how many people are coming in for a CAC card that day so if we need to, we can open up more appointments for more people. The new system has only been operational for a little over a month and we've already seen a dramatic decrease in the number of people waiting for hours to receive a new card because we haven't planned for them. People are used to

coming to PSD and asking a clerk for something as simple as an LES. Now they can obtain that information either online or with the Navy One Stop themselves," Roham stated. For customers, the new system is a valuable time saver. "This has really saved me a lot of time," said Boatswain Mate 2nd Class (SW) Nathan Kvinsland of Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard. "I'm used to waiting a long time either on the phone or at PSD for something as simple as an appointment. This just uses up less man hours and was easy to use once you figured it out," Kvinsland said. The Navy One Stop computer system is also located at the Navy College on Pearl Harbor and plans are to have one placed at the Pearl Harbor Commissary. For questions or comments on the Navy One Stop, contact Kelly Lapena at oberstkn@psdph.navy.mil or call PSD at 471-2405.



U.S. Navy photo
File photo of USS Curts (FFG 38)

USS Curts responds to medical evacuation at sea

Ensign Bryan Wolfe
USS Curts Public Affairs

Just one day after getting underway, USS Curts (FFG 38) was called upon Aug. 3 to support an urgent medical evacuation of a crew member stationed aboard the U.S. Coast Guard buoy tender Sequoia (WLB 214). The call came across during the early morning hours while the San Diego-based guided-missile frigate was operating off the coast of Baja, Calif. After receiving the evacuee aboard Curts via small boat transfer, pilots from the embarked anti-submarine helicopter detachment were standing by in "Lone Wolf

52," an SH-60B Seahawk, to whisk the injured Coast Guardsman to a waiting Coast Guard HC-130 Hercules transport aircraft. The Hercules then departed Mexico en route to Naval Hospital Balboa in San Diego, where the service member was admitted and is now listed in stable condition. "It's always great to see people come together in order to help another human being in need," said Aviation Warfare Systems Operator 2nd Class Juan Toole, an SH-60B air crewman. Curts is currently underway for a five-month deployment in support of counter-drug operations in the eastern Pacific.

Crommelin Sailors reach out to Peruvians

OS1 Daniel W. Roberts

USS Crommelin

Public Affairs

USS Crommelin (FFG 37) reached out to disadvantaged people while conducting port calls in Salaverry and Callao, Peru as part of UNITAS 45-04, the premier naval exercise in the region in which navies from 10 countries trained and developed interoperability.

While in port, members of the crew participated in community relations projects, including a project to help build a school in a disadvantaged neighborhood of Salaverry.

Members of the Crommelin crew participated in building a wall at Virgin De La Puerta Elementary School in Salaverry, Peru, donating more than \$500 to the project and making further improvements to the school's restrooms and small classrooms.

Construction of the school began two years ago and is being financed by state contributions and personal donations.

Volunteers, many of whom are parents of children attending the school, are per-

sonally involved in the building's construction.

"I do this because it is for my children," said one student's father, a sentiment that was emotionally conveyed by most of the parents participating in the refurbishment of the Virgin De La Puerta Elementary.

The Sailors of USS Crommelin helped by moving building materials, procuring supplies, and laying bricks for an exterior wall. Members of the crew, aided by Sailors from Peru, Ecuador and Chile, also assembled tables and hauled boxes of books and school supplies, all donated by Crommelin's Partners in Education, Holomua Elementary School in Ewa Beach, Hawaii.

Commenting on Holomua's role in the project, Norman Pang of Holomua Elementary said, "USS Crommelin is one of the most active educational partners that I know of in the Department of Education. They have helped Holomua both academically by providing tutors for our students and by helping us improve our facilities. When they asked us if we had anything to donate to the schools they were going to visit on



U.S. Navy photo

Members of the crew from USS Crommelin (FFG 37) pause to pose with Peruvian community members during a community relations project.

their deployment, we jumped at the chance to help other schools."

"Working with the crew of the USS Crommelin is a rewarding experience for me," added Alfie Turner, also of Holomua Elementary. "I am so impressed with the community spirit and willingness to help children and schools wherever they go. They have been nothing short of phenomenal when it comes to children. We were happy and proud to provide to them tables, books and other supplies when they

asked if we had any that we could donate. They have always been there for us and we intend to be there for them."

Taking a break from construction, Crommelin crewmembers hosted a picnic for the students and their families. Local village shops supplied candies for the children.

"I think we bought out every store in the neighborhood," said Command Master Chief Daniel Miller of Chelsea, Mass.

While construction was

going on, Hospital Corpsman 1st Class Mark McKnight, Crommelin's independent duty corpsman, assisted a Peruvian Navy doctor in providing minor health care to the children and some adults, mainly performing wellness checkups and treating colds and other illnesses. Electrician's Mate 1st Class (SW) Juan Sanchez of Rio Grande, Puerto Rico served as an interpreter between the doctor and McKnight.

"I wish we could have done more," said McKnight. As McKnight was conducting a wellness check on a young boy, he noted a quizzical look on the boy's face as he checked the boy's heartbeat. "I put the stethoscope in his ears and placed the instrument on his sister's chest. I couldn't believe how wide his eyes got, or how his face lit up when he heard his sister's heartbeat."

On July 24, members of Crommelin's crew collected and delivered toiletries, clothes, toys and medicine, all put together by donations from the crew in an effort to answer the emergency call issued in the Peruvian Southern highlands where frigid temperatures were striking the most disadvantaged people.

The donations were delivered to Caritas, a charity helping poverty-stricken citizens throughout Peru.

The impact on the Sailors and the Peruvians alike was a positive one.

"I think instead of just practicing tactics during these exercises we should spend more time doing projects like this," said Chief Boatswain's Mate (SW) Edward Marrero of Barranquitas, Puerto Rico, commenting on how appreciative the people of Salaverry were. "If we had the chance to do this every year, I'd be on that boat."

These and other community relations projects throughout Latin America are sponsored and coordinated by U.S. Naval Forces Southern Command with the goal to enable U.S. Sailors to act as goodwill ambassadors in the hemisphere.

For many of the men and women in USS Crommelin, the greatest adventure of their trip to Peru wasn't firing weapons at sea or conducting tactical maneuvers, it was the chance to make a small difference in the lives of the people of Peru and see the smiles on the faces of children.

USS Louisville changes commanders



U.S. Navy photo by J03 Corwin Colbert

Cmdr. David Kirk (left) and Cmdr. Michael Jabaley shake hands after the change of command ceremony Aug. 5 at the Naval Station Pearl Harbor submarine piers. Kirk relieved Jabaley as commanding officer of USS Louisville (SSN 724). His previous assignment was on the staff of Joint Chiefs of Staff as chief of operations division. Jabaley's next command will be Commander Submarine Force, U.S. Pacific Fleet, Tactical Readiness Evaluation team.

Pakistani delegation visits deployed P-3C Orion squadron

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Commander U.S. Naval

Forces Central

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U.S. 5th Fleet Public Affairs

Patrol Squadron (VP) 9 hosted a maritime surveillance familiarization visit of four Pakistani naval aviation experts in Bahrain Aug. 1-5.

The Pakistani delegation consisted of a naval aviator, a tactical officer, a maintenance officer, and an air crew operator, and was given tours of Commander, U.S. Navy Central Command and Commander, U.S. 5th Fleet spaces and VP-9 spaces. They were also given briefs on U.S. maritime patrol and surveillance capabilities and procedures in the 5th Fleet area of operations, and taken on two familiarization flights aboard U.S. P-3C Orion aircraft.

"There's very little difference between the way our countries do business," said Cmdr. Sajjad Akbar Pakistani tactical officer. "The differences are mainly due to differences in the aircraft and the equipment. It's all very similar."

One flight was conducted in cooperation with a Pakistani Atlantique maritime patrol aircraft.

"We gained a better understanding of just how proficient the Pakistani maritime

patrol forces are," said Cmdr. Rod Urbano, commanding officer of VP-9. "We worked with the Atlantique and saw that their procedures and tactics are very similar to ours, and that working together we can be very effective in patrolling the areas in and around the North Arabian Gulf and the Gulf of Oman."

However, in addition to their other maritime patrol aircraft, Pakistan has a P-3C squadron of their own. The familiarization visit was a big step toward its operational employment.

"We've been able to see how VP-9 operates, and since we're looking forward to operationalizing our own squadron of P-3Cs very soon, that has been a great help," said Akbar. "Just seeing how the aircraft and the crew and the squadron operate has been a huge help."

"Secondly, we have been able to clarify coalition requirements so the opportunities we have to help the coalition, we know what is required of us," he said. "That is a great advantage so we can be a big help."

Pakistan is already a key coalition partner in the global war on terrorism and the visit only increased confidence between the nations.

"Communications between the aircraft [U.S. P-3C and Pakistani Atlantique] were very smooth," said Urbano.

Naval Surface Force begins new SHIPTRAIN program

Paul Taylor

Commander, Naval Surface Force

U.S. Atlantic Fleet Public Affairs

Commander, Naval Surface Force has implemented a new training process that takes the proven tenets and methods of the Surface Force Interdeployment Training Cycle (IDTC) and adapts them to fit the new readiness requirements of the Fleet Response Plan.

The new process, called SHIPTRAIN, was implemented after a zero-based review of the IDTC as directed in the Chief of Naval Operations' Guidance for 2004. SHIPTRAIN began in March of this year and directly supports Sea Power 21, the training requirements of the Navy Mission Essential Task List (NMETL), and the Navy Warfare Training System (NWTs). The process allows commanders at any echelon to effectively and efficiently monitor readiness levels throughout the force.

"Unit level proficiency enables strike group capability," said Commander, Naval Surface Force, U.S. Atlantic Fleet Rear Adm. Terrance Etnyre. "We have to be prepared to provide credible and persistent combat power from the sea, whenever and wherever required."

"SHIPTRAIN is a key part of this



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An AAV launched from USS Harper's Ferry (LSD 49) makes its way toward the well deck of USS Fort McHenry (LSD 43) during amphibious operations.

operational mandate," he said. "This important process change enables us to continuously quantify the relative proficiency of our surface ships, using a common set of standards, so that we can deliver the right training at the right time in support of cost-wise readiness."

The key component of SHIPTRAIN is a new and developing tool called the Training Figure of Merit (TFOM). TFOM is built around a software application that interfaces with NWTs, allowing commanders to better measure

readiness, project requirements, and then apply training resources when and where needed. The ultimate goal is to ensure all surface force units maintain measurable and sustainable levels of proficiency at all times.

The prototype of the TFOM tool was initially developed to track three mission areas: engineering, strike and air warfare. However, parallel development of TFOM in 22 other warfare areas, including surface warfare, undersea warfare and anti-terrorism/force protection,

is in progress with a target date for completion in May 2005.

Commander, Naval Surface Force, Vice Adm. Timothy LaFleur believes the SHIPTRAIN process in general and the TFOM element in particular are important new tools for commanders.

"The overall objective of this important project is to focus the unit level — formerly basic phase — training process on continuous training," he said. "Using the current training assessment process as a baseline, we've developed common standards and methods of assessment for use by Afloat Training Groups, immediate superiors in command and commanding officers. This new process includes certification 'tripwires' that support efficient and effective use of training resources. We're challenging the static 24-month timeframe as the standard for every certification."

In addition to tracking unit level readiness, SHIPTRAIN will also provide quantitative feedback to the Naval Personnel Development Command in support of forging a closer tie between fleet and individual training. This is done using data obtained from the watch team assessments and shipboard level of knowledge exams Sailors take in a wide range of watchstanding and

shipboard disciplines. That information can then be used to identify trends that might indicate needs for improved training in specific areas either for a single ship, or for a squadron, or perhaps even throughout the fleet.

One of the key planning factors during the development process was the requirement that SHIPTRAIN/TFOM be a user-friendly tool at the deckplate level. An important goal of this initiative is to enable commanding officers and their crews to continually self-train in a more effective and efficient way, regardless of where they are in the readiness cycle. As the SHIPTRAIN process is phased in, it is expected that Sailors will spend increasingly less time in the current 16-week basic phase training period, instead relying more on a continuous tailored training process designed to meet individual ship requirements.

The dividends expected of the program come in the form of higher, more consistent states of readiness, allowing ships and Sailors to achieve multiple levels of surge capability, increase force effectiveness and efficiency, improve speed of employment and accurately target emerging warfare realities.

A test of the TFOM prototype began in August on both coasts.

SNA: Association comes together to recognize excellence in Navy leadership

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Crommelin (FFG 37).

Robertson who received the Vice Admiral Award Robert K. U. Kihune award said the award is a reflection of an encouraging work environment.

"I look at this award as not being so much about me, but having the opportunity to work in such a positive work environment," Robertson said. "This award really means that I enjoy my job."

For Robertson, being a member in the Surface Navy Association provides a platform, other than his ship, to discuss the potential of the surface Navy.

"This association brings us together, not only to network but to share in a common vision as to where we are going in the future and it's also to feel a part of something beyond just your ship," Robertson said. "This association is really healthy to a growing Navy."

Wills received the Chief Boatswain Mate Harold Estes award and feels the award is a representation of his junior Sailors.

"This award is important because it shows I work with some outstanding younger Sailors and have hopefully influence them," Wills said. "It nice that I got this award and I appreciate it, but we really need to focus on recognizing the junior, Sailors that show potential in future Navy Leadership."

Wills believes the Surface Navy Association is long overdue.

"I'm an old salty Sailor and when I first joined, we didn't have a Surface Navy Association," Wills said. "The submarine side of the house has their association and the air community has theirs, so we finally got on board and thought, 'Hey why don't we have one,'" and we're a pretty big contingent in the Navy. We recognized that and now we have functions like this. It's a good thing for the Navy," he added.

If interested in being a member of the Surface Navy Association, contact Lt. Christopher Adams at 473-3953.

Lights! Camera! Action!



U.S. Coast Guard photo by PA3 Jennifer Johnson

Like a scene straight out of "Magnum Pl.", crewmembers on board the 47-foot motor lifeboat from Coast Guard Station Honolulu participated in an intense chase scene for the filming of the upcoming police drama "Hawaii" Monday.

Ship: Chung Hoon hits milestones on way to homeport in Hawai'i

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MK-45 5"/62 caliber lightweight gun, two Mk-41 vertical launching systems for both standard and Tomahawk missiles, two triple torpedo tubes and 50 caliber guns, she is ready to take her place within the battle groups when the need arises.

Delivered with Mafo-Holtcamp watertight doors, they are designed to help reduce repair costs the Navy is currently spending each year on door repairs. They have stainless steel panels and dog systems fully on the inboard side of the bulkhead and are designed to avoid bulkhead penetrations.

"Chung Hoon has the latest commercial, off the shelf technology built into her design," Williams said. "The many onboard computers process information much faster than previous destroyers so the data collected, the flow of information, connectivity and system reliability is greatly enhanced."

The ship has also been designed to carry, deploy and operate with the remote mine-hunting system which will enable the ship to detect potential underwater threats to the strike group.

There are approximately 32 officers and 295 enlisted personnel onboard the Chung Hoon. According to crew stats, the average age of the crewmembers is 24. About 70 percent of the crew have never been underway before and 20 percent have been in the Navy less than 12 months.

"The biggest challenges were forming a new team, quickly learning new equipment and systems for which there are few schools and then going to sea safely and operate as a group of professionals," said Williams.

"The crew is terrific," he enthused. "They are smart, enthusiastic and quick learners. Also, they are very good shipmates who work well together and always help one another. They are learning more each day, doing everything safely and professionally, and enjoying the many 'firsts' as we sail toward Pearl Harbor," remarked Williams.

The crewmembers eat, sleep, work and play on the Chung Hoon. A full mess deck serves three meals a day with dessert. There have been ice cream socials, talent shows and picnics with barbecue cooked on an outside grill – all while cruising in the middle of the ocean, south of the equator.

But what you won't find on board is the use of cash. Crewmembers are issued a "cash card" which has a 'chip,' designed for use only onboard the ship, and a 'strip,' which works like a bank check card. The crew can have small amounts or their entire paychecks directly deposited onto the cash card. With top of the line banking technology, they can transfer money from their card to a card

belonging to other crewmembers and get cash advances from ATM machines.

There is a crew library where the crew can check out books or CDs, a crew training room where the crew can attend damage control cases, enlisted surface warfare qualification classes as well as emergency first-aid and CPR training. On Sunday mornings, both Catholic and Protestant worship services are offered in the training room.

"Should an emergency occur, they (the crew) need to respond without thinking about what they need to do," said Damage Control Chief Keone Kaaihue, a native of Honolulu. "My job is to get them to that point."

When asked how he felt, being on board a ship named after a home-state hero, Kaaihue said, "Aloha spirit and pride are the first things that come to mind."

A damage control 'A' school instructor at Great Lakes, Ill. who tried unsuccessfully a number of times to negotiate orders that would return him home (to Hawaii), Kaaihue decided to take a gamble on a new ship named USS Chung Hoon and the buzz that she would be homeported in Hawai'i. Kaaihue is finally returning home, "I am very fortunate and proud to be part of the Chung Hoon ohana," he said.

The crewmembers are excited about living in Hawai'i. For most, it's a dream they never thought would come true.

"I still can't grasp the fact that we're going there (to Hawaii)," said Fireman Zachary E. Shupp, a native of Portland, Ore. "I'm looking forward to it."

Shupp, a 19-year-old Navy veteran of nine months, already has his priorities set. "My goal is to continue getting as ship qualified as I can and to start college when we get to Hawai'i," said Shupp.

Fireman Apprentice Justine Gaines from Las Vegas, Nev. said it's hard to comprehend that he's going to be living in Hawai'i for four years. When asked what he planned to do, he said, "I'm going to study for my advancement exam, explore the island, take some college classes and have fun."

Williams said Chung Hoon is different than his previous ship which was a mine counter-measures ship. The missions the ships were designed to accomplish are much different as are the capabilities and limitations of each ship.

"However, the common bond for each ship is the privilege and personal intangible rewards I get from working with America's best and brightest men and women," he said. "Today's Sailors are the best I've ever seen in my 20 years of service. Chung Hoon has superb Sailors assigned to it and that is what makes the Navy a most enjoyable adventure."

Take out the trash – the right way

Lacy Lynn
Staff Writer

A sofa, chairs, mattresses, black trash bags, clothing, electronics and other trash is piled up beside a dumpster next to the Hokułani Community Center. According to spokespersons for Forest City Residential, which manages Navy PPV communities, another problem with trash disposal is people who leave their bulk trash and refuse in front of other residences.

Forest City officials cautioned that those who are caught illegally dumping or improperly disposing of trash will receive three warnings:

First warning – inspectors will call or come to the resident's house.

Second warning – resident will receive a written notice or letter.

Third warning – resident will face a \$50 fine or possible eviction.

The Catlin Park Community Center's dumpster, which is managed by the Navy, also overflows with trash, and a similar situation in Pearl City prompted Navy housing



U.S. Navy photo by J01 Daniel J. Calderon
Garbage is overflowing from the dumpster near homes in the Hale Moku and Hokułani Navy housing communities.

Convenience center contact information	
Ewa Convenience Center	226-2996
Laie Convenience Center	293-8714
Wahiawa Convenience Center	621-3648
Waianae Convenience Center	621-3648
Waimanalo Convenience Center	259-7182
Waipahu Convenience Center	676-8878

officials to send a letter to residents.

The scene is repeated at many dumpsters and is caused by people dumping bulky items, piling up trash and not notifying housing personnel of the need for extra pickups.

“Drivers cannot get to the dumpster when trash is all around it and it is not in their contract to pick up the surrounding debris,” said Captain N.T. Ho, Assistant Chief of Staff for Housing. “Let’s work together to eliminate this unsightly, unsafe and unhealthy condition,” encouraged Ho. “It is imperative that we have everyone’s cooperation to keep the area clean. Your support is vital,” said Ho.

If residents see a problem with dumpsters within Navy housing that are full and/or notice that trash is accumulating outside the dumpsters, they should call Iris Matsumura at 474-1930 to arrange additional pickups for dumpsters.

However, housing residents can be part of the solution to the trash problem by learning how to handle their bulk rubbish, yard waste and

other refuse.

Refuse not accommodated by regular pick ups can be taken to city landfills, transfer stations and convenience centers, which will accept rubbish for free.

The limitations are: two loads per customer per day; passenger cars and vans or pickup trucks only (no trailers, flatbeds, dump trucks, or commercial vans). Also, residents may be asked to separate their recyclables at the disposal site.

Some items should never be placed in the weekly trash pickup, including:

- Rocks and dirt
- Concrete, sheet metal, wood
- Batteries
- Explosives
- Chemicals
- Oil, paint, gasoline and other hazardous materials
- Car parts and batteries

Heavy or bulky items such as tree limbs, appliances, furniture and construction materials should not be placed in trashcans either. They should be placed at curbside no earlier



U.S. Navy photo by J01 Daniel J. Calderon
The trash is piling up outside the community center at Hale Moku Navy housing. There is a playground for neighborhood kids on the other side of the fence behind the community center.

than the evening before the pickup date.

If residents miss pickup, they must store their bulk items until the next scheduled pickup day.

Also, residents are asked to bag and bundle refuse so that loose trash does not litter the neighborhoods with unsightly debris.

Navy housing residents who require additional bulk trash pickups for reasons such as moving should contact their respective housing

inspectors. Residents in non-PPV areas should note the vehicle's license plate number and contact base police.

Another way for residents to help out is for neighbors to practice vigilance in reporting illegal dumping in Navy housing.

Residents in PPV areas who note trashy or littered areas, or who spot people illegally leaving trash, should call the Forest City management office at 423-7711.

Housing Area	Normal Refuse	Recyclables	Bulk Refuse	Green Waste
NON-PPV AREAS:				
Camp Stover	Tuesday	Friday	Last Tuesday/month	Friday
Catlin Park	Tuesday	Friday	2nd Tuesday/month	Friday
Ford Island	Monday	Wednesday	1st Monday/month	Wednesday
Halawa	Thursday	Monday	2nd Thursday/month	Monday
Hale Alii, Hale Moku, Monday Hospital Point, Little Makalapa, Makalapa	Wednesday	1st Monday/month	Wednesday	
Maloelap	Tuesday	Friday	2nd Tuesday/month	Friday
Manana	Thursday	Monday	2nd Thursday/month	Monday
Marine Barracks	Monday	Wednesday	1st Monday/month	Wednesday
Miller Park	Friday	Tuesday	1st Friday/month	Tuesday
NCTAMS	Friday	Tuesday	2nd Friday/month	Tuesday
Pearl City Peninsula, Red Hill	Thursday	Monday	2nd Thursday/month	Monday
PPV AREAS:				
Moanalua Terrace	Tuesday & Friday	Saturday	1st Monday/month	1st & 3rd Wednesday/month
Hokułani	Tuesday & Friday	Wednesday	1st Monday/month	1st & 3rd Wednesday/month
Halsey Terrace, Radford Terrace	Monday & Thursday	Friday	1st Monday/month	1st & 3rd Wednesday/month
McGrew Point	Monday & Thursday	Friday	Call 455-1725 for Pick up	2nd and 4th Friday/month

Congratulations Hawai'i-area chief selectees

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Desron 31		
CSC	(SW/AW)	Deuz, Genaro
USS CROMMELIN (FFG 37)		
CSC	(SW/AW)	Lipscomb, Tony
DCC	(SW)	Payne, Eric
DCC	(SW)	McGregor,
Robert		
GSEC	(SW)	Thomas,
Lawrence		
ETC	(SW)	Salman, Alan
ITC	(SW)	Hantsbarger,
Nathan		
ENC	(SW)	Griebel, Jeffrey
MAC	(SW)	Guist, Tony
USS RUEBEN JAMES (FFG 57)		
CSC	(SW)	Horton, Brett
ITC	(SW)	Purcell, Eric
GSMC	(SW)	Santos, Ronald
CSC	(SW)	Deuz, Genaro
EMC	(SW)	Taganas,
Ronald		
USS RUSSELL (DDG 59)		
BMC	(SW)	Cornelius,
Artur		
EMC	(SW)	Campbell,
Kelvin		
ENC	(SW)	Valentine, Judd
FCC	(SW)	MacDonald,
Michael		
USS PAUL HAMILTON (DDG-60)		
ETC	(SW)	Baker, Barry
GSMC	(SW)	Broussard,
Carl		
QMC	(SW)	Gathman,
James		
ITC	(SW)	Laskowski,
Gregory		
EMC	(SW)	Navarro,
Raymond		
GMC	(SW)	Whistler,
Robert		
HMC	(SW)	Wood, William
USS HOPPER (DDG 70)		
FCC	(SW)	Bowers, Jeffrey
SKC	(SW)	Fuentes, Lito
EMC	(SW)	Kiskzak, Duane
USS O'KANE		
HTC	(SW)	Brown, John
GSEC	(SW)	Danforth,
Matthew		
GSMC	(SW)	Sarmiento,
Francisco		
GMC	(SW)	Severns,
Darrell		
EMC	(SW)	Supnet, Arnel
CTRC	(SW)	Wallin, Curtis
USS CHAFEE (DDG 90)		
CTTC	(SW)	Boyer, Travis
HMC	(SW)	Crume, Jason
FCC	(SW)	Cutchens, Troy
MAC	(SW)	Dietrich, Kandi
FCC	(SW)	
Fernandezdecastro,	Scott	
GSMC	(SW)	Holmes, Jason
DKC	(SW)	Jordan, Frank
FCC	(SW)	Karabanoff,
Nickolas		
OSC	(SW)	Kunsman,



U.S. Navy photo by JO2 Devin Wright

NCC(select) Andrew Morrisdy, of Navy Recruiting Station Kapolei grills a ham-burger in front of building 150 Aug. 6 to help raise funds for the new CPO selects. Funds go toward the Khaki Ball and various other CPO selectee functions.

Jamie		MAC	(SW/AW)	Williams,
GMC	(SW)	Miller, Donald	Spencer	
CTAC		Rodriguez,	MAC	Kline, William
Ganette			HSL-37	
USS CHUNG-HOON (DDG 93)		SKC		Higgins,
NCC	(SW)	Rodriguez,	Richard	
Sabino			ADC	Lagge, Lee
GSMC	(SW)	Wystub, Ryan	ATC	Choplin,
Naval Station PH		CSC	(SW/AW)	Ruiz, Glenn
CSC	(SW)	Gloria, Ric	Michael	Stanley, Gary
YNC	(SW)	Bracy, Brian	ATC	
Special Projects Patrol Squadron TWO				



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Hawai'i chief selectees enjoy a game of sand volleyball outside Wentworth Pro Shop on Naval Station Pearl Harbor.



U.S. Navy photo by MM3 Greg Bookout

QMC (sel) Coy Everage is assisted in trying on a combination cap during a Navy Exchange-sponsored fitting session in the uniform shop at Naval Station Pearl Harbor, Wednesday night. The fitting ceremony is held annually by the NEX for new selectees.

ADC	Spurgeon,	STSC	(SS)	Bates, Kenneth
Jaime		USS CHEYENNE (773)		
ATC	Altman, Daryl	STSC	(SS)	Cardwell,
ADC	Giron, Carlos	Donnie		
Patrol Squadron FOUR		YNC	(SS)	Pitts, Mark
ATC	Ritchey, Donna	EODMU3 Detachment Middle Pacific		
AWC	Hoglund,			
Cristopher		BMC		Johnson, Aaron
AEC	Leach, Joshua	AOC		Frederick,
Marine Aviation Logistics TWO FOUR		David		
AMC	Littlecreek,	FTC		Belcher,
Alex		Thomas		
CPRW-2(MOCC)		FTC		Brooker, Frank
AWC	Bell, Matthew	ETRC		Evans, Mark
USPACOM/J6		ETRC		Jensen,
CSC	Pelekai,	Christopher		
Derrick		STSC		McGiboney,
Naval Magazine Pearl Harbor		Edward		
SKC	Sandan,	SKC		
Joselito		Pachecororiguez, Sheldon		
USS OLYMPIA (SSN 717)		STSC		Powell, Randal
STSC	(SS)	MMWC		Selby, Stefan
Gregory		QMC		Shafer, Jason
SKC	(SS)	ETVC		Snoddy, Jeffrey
USS HONOLULU (SSN 718)		FTC		Vega Cruz,
MMWC	(SS)	Jason		
Malcolm		STSC		Wohlgemuth,
MMNC	(SS)	Rory		
USS CHICAGO (SSN 721)		??		Puckett, Jason
MMWC	(SS)	FACSFAC		
ETNC	(SS)	SKC	(SW)	Lange, Edward
Shaun		PSD		
ETRC	(SS)	DKC	(SW)	Inocencio,
James		Antonio		
ETVC	(SS)	USS PORT ROYAL (CG 73)		
Albert		MAC	(SW)	Washington III
STSC	(SS)	Willie		
Shaun		STGC	(SW)	McIntosh,
STSC	(SS)	Matthew		
Matthew		QMC	(SW)	Morris II,
CSC	(SS)	Lonnie		
USS KEY WEST (SSN 722)		NSGA PH		
EMNC	(SS)	CTMC		Henry, Joseph
USS LOUISVILLE (SSN 724)		CTMC	(SS)	Bollman, Tony
EMNC	(SS)	CTMC	(SW/AW)	Urness, Jeff
Toshinobu		ATG		
MMEC	(SS)	MAC		Abreu, Luis
Johnny		MAC	(SW/AW)	Hall, Timothy
USS COLUMBIA (SSN 771)		BMC	(SW)	McIntire, Lee
YNC	(SS)	DCC	(SW)	Robertson, Paul
Kenneth		FCC	(SW)	Sewell, Michael
ETRC	(SS)	FCC	(SW)	Wilkinson,
STSC	(SS)	Jeffrey		
USS PASADENA (SSN 752)		QMC	(SW)	Colquhoun,
YNC	(SS)	Christopher		
John		FCC	(SW)	Lucchetti,
CSC	(SS)	Michael		
STSC	(SS)	DCC	(SW/AW)	Pedtke, Allan
FTC	(SS)	DCC	(SW)	Perkins Jr.,
Rodney		Samuel		
USS COLUMBUS (SSN 762)		DCC	(SW)	Scruggs, James
STSC	(SS)	GMC	(SW)	Welton,
MMC	(SS)	Richard		
John		MAC	(SW)	Wright Jr.,
ETC	(SS)	James		
Johnathan		ETC	(SW)	Yager, Royal
ETC	(SS)	ATRC PH		
FTC	(SS)	ITC	(SW)	Ordonez, Gene
USS SANTA FE (763)		DFAS PH		
SKC	(SS)	SKC	(SW)	Wallace, Juan
Christopher		FACSFAC		
ETC	(SS)	SKC	(SW)	Lange, Edward
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MMC	(SS)	Ronald		
FTC	(SS)			
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Greenert assumes command of U.S. 7th Fleet

U.S. 7th Fleet Public Affairs

Vice Adm. Robert F. Willard transferred command of U.S. 7th Fleet to Vice Adm. Jonathan W. Greenert during a ceremony Aug. 6 aboard USS Coronado (AGF 11). Adm. Walter Doran, Commander, U.S. Pacific Fleet, was the guest speaker at the ceremony. He said Willard was a superior leader for the U.S. Navy's largest forward-deployed fleet.

Not long after he took over, Doran said, Willard "rapidly escalated the material and training readiness of our forward deployed naval force, enabling them to surge to the Central Command area of responsibility and fire some of the opening salvos of Operation Iraqi Freedom."

"Bob Willard has done everything he can to improve the Navy he serves in, but his efforts were not only focused on today; his vision will help secure America's tomorrow as well," he said.

Doran presented Willard with the Distinguished Service Medal. In the citation, Willard was lauded for his ability to create "a team-focused synergy among 7th Fleet task force commanders, ensuring that the 7th Fleet achieved the highest levels of combat readiness, both for exercises and real-world contingencies, including support to operations Noble Eagle, Enduring Freedom and Iraqi Freedom."

Willard gave credit to his staff for the work he said led to the successful conclusion of his tour.

"They are here today to repre-

sent 20,000 Sailors and Marines in ships, submarines and aircraft," Willard said. "They're a brilliant staff, and their behind-the-scenes sacrifice and hard work allowed me to do my job."

Being at the head of 7th Fleet, Willard said, required a great amount of training and cooperation among his task force commanders, the navies of many countries, and Sailors and Marines under his charge.

"It's hard to describe what it's like to command a numbered fleet that is such a relevant part of the day-to-day peace and security in this region of the world," Willard told the group of civilian and military dignitaries, Japanese officials and assembled Sailors and Marines. "I think I speak for my staff, these task force commanders, and the Sailors and the Marines when I say how personally satisfying this has been."

Willard reports next to the Joint Chiefs of Staff in Washington, D.C., to serve as director of force structure, resources and assessment.

Willard's relief comes from the submarine community and is no stranger to Yokosuka, having previously been assigned as U.S. 7th Fleet Chief of Staff.

"To be given this opportunity to return to Japan and command the 7th Fleet is really a dream come true," Greenert said in his remarks shortly after assuming command. "There is not a better job, there is not a better place to be stationed and to reside than here in Japan."



U.S. Navy photo by PH2 Terry Spain. Vice Adm. Robert Willard, left, and Vice Adm. Jonathan Greenert answer questions from the media following the Seventh Fleet Change of Command ceremony held aboard the Austin-Class command ship USS Coronado (AGF 11).

Operating in the Western Pacific and Indian Ocean, the U.S. 7th Fleet is the largest of the forward-deployed U.S. fleets, with 40-50 ships, 120 aircraft, and approximately 20,000 Sailors and Marines assigned at any given time.

Of the ships typically assigned to the U.S. 7th Fleet, 21 operate from U.S. facilities in Japan and Guam. These forward-deployed units are the heart of U.S. 7th Fleet and provide a permanent, ready and highly capable presence, while reducing transit times

and support costs by operating from overseas bases.

Other ships are deployed on a rotating basis from Hawaii and the U.S. West Coast. U.S. 7th Fleet is embarked aboard Coronado.

For more information about U.S. 7th Fleet, visit www.c7f.navy.mil.

RIMPAC 2004 offers subs warfare experience

JOC(SW/AW) David Rush

COMSUBPAC Public Affairs

Every two years, thousands of Sailors from the Pacific allied countries converge in Hawaii for the Rim of the Pacific exercise.

For RIMPAC 2004, more than 18,000 personnel aboard submarines and surface ships from the United States, United Kingdom, Canada, Australia, Japan, South Korea and Chile tested their capabilities in a collaborative maritime effort.

The naval assets included three U.S. Pacific Fleet nuclear powered attack submarines, USS Key West (SSN 722), USS Louisville (SSN 724), and USS Olympia (SSN 717), four allied forces diesel submarines, as well as the nuclear powered aircraft carrier USS John C. Stennis. Approximately 100 aircraft also participated in the month-long exercise, which concluded July 27.

RIMPAC tested Sailors, Marines, Coast Guardsmen, Soldiers and Airmen with exercises on everything from executing an amphibious assault to sinking four decommissioned vessels, to supporting a humanitarian mission and evacuating non-combatants. Participating ships faced undersea and mine warfare threats, among other scenarios.

According to Capt. Russ Janicke, Deputy Commander Submarine Squadron Three, this RIMPAC was an excellent opportunity to provide anti-submarine warfare (ASW) experience for the submarines and ships involved. "It's particularly good for our submarines because we get to interact with some of the allied diesel boats. Four of them are here for the exercise this year. It's very unique, it only happens every two years and this is one of the larger RIMPACs we have had in a long time," said Janicke.

Since RIMPAC occurs on a regular basis, past experience and present day circumstances are used to develop realistic scenarios for all participants. "We try to take lessons learned and as we gear up for the exercise, we try to integrate those lessons and any new technology that have emerged. The most important thing about RIMPAC is that just sitting down and talking to fellow Sailors and officers from the allied navies about tactics and phases of the exercise, we learn an awful lot," Janicke said.



U.S. Navy photo. A submarine cruises through the water at periscope depth in support of the 2004 RIMPAC exercise held in Hawaii.

As technology changes, the submarine force has changed along with it and has adopted the use of consumer-off-the-shelf (COTS) technology, which has made real-time decision making among submarine, surface and air assets a reality. "COTS technology is a key part in this RIMPAC 2004. I look back to the RIMPAC of 2000 that I participated in as commanding officer of USS Louisville and we didn't have that. My ability to interact was pretty limited. In the four years since then, we have made huge advances in COTS communication, sonar, and fire control technology," said Janicke.

In addition to incorporating the latest war-fighting technology, the inherent stealth of the participating allied diesel submarines provided a key element of real world threats for the various vessels in the exercise.

According to Janicke, "COMSUBPAC plays a key role in RIMPAC. There has been a reinvigoration of ASW. The submarines are important as they play aggressor and as hunter to provide training platforms to work on the overall fleet goal of improving ASW. With three of our nuclear-powered attack submarines and four allied diesel submarines, that's far more than we have had in past exercises. It really challenges the various forces to be able to handle that undersea threat and it ties in very well with our fleet goal of improving our ASW capability."

Because the allied naval forces have had the opportunity to incorporate the use of so many different assets, includ-

ing diesel submarines, ultimately the result from their experiences will be measured when the time comes to put their efforts forth in a coalition force.

"Our biggest goal is to increase interoperability and communications with our allied forces. One of the most important aspects of completing RIMPAC is that we have the ability, on relatively short notice, to work with any of our allies. It becomes a real force multiplier," said Janicke.

The navies are teaming together to employ lessons learned in the global war on terrorism while honing warfighting skills to continue the fight, said high-level naval leaders at the June 29 press conference. "That's a significant part of this exercise," said Vice Adm. Michael J. McCabe, Commander, U.S. Third Fleet and RIMPAC Commander, Combined Task Force. "It always has been and it's never been more important than now."

In terms of overall effectiveness, Janicke is convinced that no matter what, the esprit de corps among the allied naval participants is so strong that their combined efforts will effectively deal with anything that threatens the use of sea-lanes and the citizens who inhabit the allied countries.

"As I watched as one of the allied submarines came in to Pearl Harbor, I was thinking about the global war on terrorism. It convinces me that those guys (terrorists) are never going to win. We have some pretty good friends and they're willing to help us out," Janicke concluded.

CNO invites industry, academia to join Navy's Revolution in Training

JOC Walter T. Ham IV

Chief of Naval Operations Public Affairs

The Navy will employ revolutionary technology and training theories to better prepare Sailors for the opportunities and challenges of the new millennium, Chief of Naval Operations Adm. Vern Clark said during his Aug. 11 address to the Learning Strategies Consortium.

To help accelerate the Navy's Revolution in Training, Clark called for partnerships with the industrial, academic and government leaders as well as gaming, simulation, and education experts at the Naval Education and Training Command-sponsored consortium.

"Our asymmetric advantage is the partnership that we can create with you," Clark said. "I'm so pleased that we have members of industry and academia, learning experts from all over the place. Because, ladies and gentlemen, we need your help to go as fast as we can and bring all the technology to bear because the clock is still ticking."

The gaming and simulation theories the Navy is melding together will not only benefit the Sailors who learn from them, Clark added, but will also change the way other organizations view training in the future.

"You are important to the United States Navy and fundamentally, I believe, for America," the CNO said. "Because I believe we are on a journey that's going to change the way we grow and develop Americans, not just Navy people."

To underscore the significance of the consortium, Clark outlined the evolution



U.S. Navy photo by PHC Johnny Bivera. Adm. Vern Clark, CNO, speaks to members of the Learning Strategies Consortium Conference about the Navy vision of learning.

of the Revolution in Training from the Executive Review of Naval Training, to the creation of Task Force EXCEL to the establishment of the Human Performance Center.

"We're now at the point where we've got to deliver all the tools," the CNO said. "We've got to create them and deliver them."

According to Clark, the Navy is creating information age training constructs to better prepare "digital generation" Sailors to grow, develop and maintain the skills necessary to serve, lead and make a difference.

"We believe in our commitment to life-long learning and presenting them with systems that allow them to continue to grow. The skill maintenance function is a very, very important issue here," he added.

"We're talking about the digital generation, and they are going to knock us out with what they can do - if we just give them the tools," the CNO said. "That's our responsibility. That's our part of the promise. We promise to give them the tools."

Submariners take on Tinian



U.S. Navy photo by JO3 Corwin Colbert
Lt. j.g. Andrew Sause, from USS Cheyenne (SSN 773), swims laps to train for his next triathlon event. Sause placed third overall at the July 18 Hawai'i Tinman competition.

Training, sacrifice all go into
training for competition

JO3 Corwin M. Colbert

COMSUBPAC Public Affairs

Two Pacific Fleet submariners competed in the Hawaii Tinman Triathlon July 18.

Lt. j.g. Andrew Sause of USS Cheyenne and Cmdr. Doug Perry, executive assistant for Commander Submarine Force U.S., Pacific Fleet, placed third and sixth respectively in the triathlon event.

The event consisted of an 800-meter swim, a 25-mile bicycling course and a 6.2-mile run. Sause, a native of Salt Lake City, Utah, transferred to Pearl Harbor, from graduate school at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in December. While there, he competed in triathlon events and was on the all Navy team. Now that he is here at Pearl Harbor, he has continued his competitive routine.

"There are really not a lot of events here at that distance. However, it's a pretty popular distance elsewhere," he said. "This is the first time I have done this race. We swam up and down off the coast by the Natatorium in Waikiki. The bike course was a loop from Waikiki to Hawaii Kai and back. The run was a loop around Diamond Head," said Sause.

"I love racing. I have been doing triathlons for two years. I started when I was in graduate school. I was on the all Navy team. I played water polo in college. When I was in graduate school, I really had nothing to do. Fortunately, some triathletes I knew got me into competing. My first race was in the summer of 2002," said Sause.

Perry isn't new to triathlons either. "I've been riding my bike hard since I was 12. I started running a lot in high school to stay in shape for wrestling, and I've never been able to overcome my competitive nature or 'need for speed' on a bike. I wrestled at the

Naval Academy, and that's when I started triathlons. I raced competitively as a mountain biker, road cyclist and a triathlete in Milwaukee, and I also competed as a member of Navy Triathlon Team in 2000-2001. Cycling is what I really love to do, and of the three triathlons disciplines it's my strength. I also competed in an Ironman competition, numerous adventure races, and the Xterra off-road triathlon World Championships in Maui," said Perry.

"In a typical week, I usually run and swim three days early in the morning. Weekday bike rides are tough to fit in, but some submariners including myself, Andy Sause and other officers and master chiefs, all get together during lunch to ride for 45-90 minutes twice a week. It's definitely a Navy thing. We leave from Pärche Memorial. The typical ride is simply an out-and-back through Hickam to the Airport Control Tower. I usually ride two to four hours early on the weekends for 40 to 70 miles. The best rides are when you can get up to Tantalus, around Makapuu, or out to Haleiwa," said Perry.

Sause explains some of the key points on each of the events at the Tinman competition.

"I was second guy out for the swim. I have been swimming my whole life. The key to the swim is having a fast start and staying ahead of everybody. There are a lot of people crammed into a close spot after the first 100 meters, you pretty much can tell where you will be placed," he said.

"On the bike, I think I was the third guy. I actually finished ahead of the first place person on the bike but I got a little lost in the transition area. Therefore, he made it to the run before I did," said Sause. "You can't cheat the bicycling. You need to do the bike portion well. Fortunately, this course was pretty flat. You don't need a fancy bike. Most people ride 20 speeds. The athletes with the real nice bikes often get passed by the athletes with simple 20 speed bikes," he said.

MM3 Greg Bookout

Staff Writer

The Pearl Harbor Racquet Club offers a wide array of opportunities to learn and participate in a variety of different racquet sports.

The club provides facilities and lessons for tennis, racquetball, wallyball, and squash and is a great way to get out, exercise and make some new friends.

"Pearl Harbor Racquet Club is a great place to network and find people with similar interests," said Sheldon Kennell, MWR tennis director. "Tennis is a great sport for family fun, community interaction and is ideal for people just arriving and those already here desiring to get involved."

Steven Cupps, a service member who frequents the Pearl Harbor Racquet Club facilities, enjoys bringing his family out for tennis.

"It's great to get out with family, enjoy the Hawaiian sunshine and play tennis," said Cupps.

From the time you can pick up a racquet until well into the golden years, tennis is played and enjoyed here at the Naval Station.

"Tennis is something that can be enjoyed from a child aged six or seven to a senior citizen," said Sharon Poole, pro shop retail manager. "We have senior citizen women who come out to play



U.S. Navy photo by MM3 Greg Bookout

A young Navy family member perfects his swing at the Wentworth tennis courts. The Pearl Harbor Racquet Club offers a variety of different activities for the whole family.

Monday, Wednesday and Friday. The afternoon tennis lessons include young school age children."

Along with the tennis lessons, there are free military workouts twice a week, tennis groups for those of all ages and tennis leagues and tournaments for those of all ages and skill levels through the United States Tennis Association.

Matches are not only played here on base, but also

around the community, providing good local community connections as well.

Along with tennis, facilities and equipment are also available for wallyball, racquetball and squash, and for those who are not really into racket sports, Wentworth pro shop also has fenced sand volleyball courts adjacent to the building.

Wallyball, racquetball and squash are all played on indoor courts similar in design. Wallyball also prevents the downtime of running after a loose ball as in traditional volleyball.

"Wallyball is a great workout," said Kennell. "When you play grass volleyball in the park, if someone knocks the ball out of bounds, somebody has to chase it. With wallyball, the court is enclosed and the ball is played off of the walls."

The tennis director stated that the many activities sponsored by the racquet club add to the overall quality of life while stationed in the region.

"I think the program is good for the Sailor and his family alike," said Kennell. "It is a great opportunity to get involved, meet friends and lead a healthier, more fulfilling life."

For more information on activities and programs available, contact the Pearl Harbor Racquet Club at 473-0610 or 473-0281.

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